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The Government Standard Method

BY TOM AND JERRY

"Well, Well, Jerry. Where in the world have you been all this time? The police have been looking for you and the government officials had it hinted that Wm. Manson had secured a government job for you."

"By ginger, Tom, I am glad to get back. I pretty nearly had a fit which would lay me up for months when I saw the last copy of the government's local apologist—that paper in the old town which lives off the government. It announced that the government was going to build the low level bridge across the Bulkley next fall. A short time ago that same paper said the bridge would be completed this spring. Now it says, please boys be good for just a little longer; you will all get jobs, and fat ones, too. That bridge is going to be a dandy—right up to the "government standard". Do you know, Tom, I was down in Victoria watching the other half of that deputation which didn't come back; also the progress of the bridge. The plans were prepared by the "government standard engineer, on government standard paper, and has received the government standard sanction". Oh, that bridge! If it is not up to the government standard it will be a crime.

"Looking over these "government standard plans and specifications" the local apologist is able to state that the bridge will be constructed of coast fir and of extra heavy construction." The latter part is no doubt necessary because every wagon that comes down that hill will have several times its weight of mud stuck to it. An extra heavy bridge is also needed to carry the immense loads of ore and farm produce that will not be taken over it to the railway and hauled up that immense "government standard" hill.

"The choicest piece of absurdity in the announcement, aside from it being up to "government standard," is that all coast fir is to be used. For years now the provincial government has been spending many thousands of dollars annually in this very district for the protection of the (vast?) tracts of timber here. Just imagine, thirty to fifty thousand dollars annually for the protection of our timber and it is not good enough to use in the construction of a bridge. The government has now admitted that the forestry department in this district was an extravagant waste of public money. It has admitted that we were right, and that there is no timber in this country that is worth the wages of two men. It will not even build a bridge with the timber. It must

ELECTIONS POSTPONED—MCBRIDE AND BOWSER SPLIT OVER RAILWAY LOAN

Victoria, B.C., March 12—Premier McBride announces that the Provincial elections announced for April 10 have been postponed, giving as a reason that the voters' lists are not ready. The Vancouver Sun declares the real reason is that the cabinet is at logger-heads over the government's railway proposals. Premier McBride and W. J. Bowser have split, and Bowser is leading the insurgents against the loan.

ANNOUNCE STILL ANOTHER BRIDGE

Provincial Government Thinks Electors Will Not Fall for One Structure and a Second is Added

The provincial government is going to build a bridge. It seems to have bridges on the brain. This particular bridge will span Two Mile creek on the main road leading to New Hazelton. A few days ago Road Superintendent Carr had a bunch of cedar poles hauled to the proposed site and in due course it is expected the poles will be placed across the creek. Road Superintendent and Bridge Inspector Walter Willis-croft came down from the far end of the district to confer with and instruct Road Superintendent Carr in bridge construction. This is just a tryout. If Carr makes good on this he may be given a chance to show himself on the

big bridge across the lower Bulkley. But it is clearly understood that he must make a better job of this small bridge than he did of the culvert he had built across the road near the old town.

THE WEEK

Provincial Legislature dissolved.

Premier McBride announced election for April 10.

Finance Minister Price Ellison resigned in the face of charges of buying live stock for a nominal figure from the government.

Alex. M. Manson mentioned as a probable candidate for Liberals of Omineca.

Citizens' Association of New Hazelton re-organize.

Elections deferred. Bowser and McBride split.

ALEX. M. MANSON TO BE CANDIDATE

Liberals of Omineca United for the Convention Which is Called for Thursday Next

When the Liberal convention is called it is probable that A. M. Manson will be the candidate. A number of other names have been mentioned but the district will be pretty well united by that time. The convention is called for Thursday next, in Smithers.

ITALIAN FLEET OFF FOR DARDANELLES

London, March 10—A strong Italian fleet has left for the Dardanelles. It is believed here that Italy sees the necessity for this move in order to share in spoils, and that it will result in the immediate entrance of Italy into the war.

BRITISH ADVANCE MOST IMPORTANT

Thousand Prisoners and Many Machine Guns Taken When Britons Force Enemy to Evacuate Neuve Chappelle—German Submarine U-12 Sunk by British—French Troops for Dardanelles—Bayonet Fraud is Unearthed

Paris, March 11—Official—In Belgium the town of Nieuport has been very violently bombarded by 42-centimeter guns. One of the most important advances made by the allies in months was achieved between Lys and the Labasse canal by the British army supported by French heavy artillery. They have carried the village of Neuve Chappelle to the east of the road from Estaires to Labasse and have progressed to the northeast of this village in the direction of Aubers and to the southeast in the direction of Bois De Riez. The British took a thousand prisoners, among whom were several officers, and they also captured some machine guns. The German losses were very heavy.

In the Champagne region the enemy on various occasions on nights of March 9 and 10 and on the day of the 10th counter-attacked with great violence but did not gain an inch of ground. We have confirmed and broadened our positions on the ridges which we seized, inflicting very heavy losses on our assailants.

On the heights of the Meuse our artillery has completely demolished a number of trenches occupied by the enemy.

London, March 11—A Copenhagen despatch to the Daily Mail says it is reported in the German naval circles that eleven submarines have been lost since Feb. 18. The loss of four of these has been officially admitted, while

seven others have been missing for nearly three weeks.

London, March 11—The German submarine U-12 has been sent to the bottom, according to a statement handed out today by the British admiralty.

Montreal, March 11—The home guards of Montreal have been furnished with bayonets made in Utica which when tried on a straw man crumpled up. A German plot is suspected.

Malta, March 11—A large fleet of French transports has been sighted off here. It is believed to be landing forces for operation against the Dardanelles.

all come from the coast. Why has that thirty to fifty thousand dollars been criminally wasted in this district every year? If there ever was a "dog in the manger" policy the provincial government has it. They admit that the timber is no good, yet they keep an army of foresters in the district

to prevent the settlers clearing their land for fear some of that worthless timber should be destroyed. It's time for a change.

"Don't you worry, Jerry, that bridge will not be built. It is purely a "government standard" promised bridge. Kaiser Dick and Sick'em Bowser regard it

merely as a scrap of paper. Some poor sucker who has been out of work all winter may, they figure, be induced to vote right if promised a "government standard" job on the "government standard" bridge that they do not intend to build. Besides there is an election in the meantime."

LIBERALS OF OLD TOWN ORGANIZE

Change in Sentiment Noted by Large Attendance at Meeting in Hazelton Wednesday Night

The Hazelton Liberal Association was organized on Wednesday night amid a good deal of enthusiasm. About thirty were present. Howard Campbell occupied the chair and Stewart Martin was elected secretary.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

Hon. President—Sir Wilfred Laurier

Hon. Vice-Pres—H. C. Brewster

President—H. F. Glassey

Vice-President—H. Campbell

2nd Vice-Pres—Hugh Taylor

Sec.-Treas.—Stewart Martin

Executive Committee—P. Nelson, Kispiox; W. Sproule, H. Boetgon, D. Hart, Dick Qusic, P. Corrigan, M. Johnson, A. Bodin, G. C. Harvey, H. Johnson and D. Harris.

Delegates to convention—S. Martin, P. Corrigan, H. F. Glassey, H. Campbell, P. Nelson, W. Sproule.

It was decided that the delegates to the convention be instructed to support Alex. M. Manson as Liberal candidate.

W. J. MacKenzie was present from New Hazelton and addressed the meeting.

MANY MILLIONS TO GRAB VOTES

A Bankrupt Government Talks About Borrowing Twenty-three Millions for Railways and Farmers

In its dying hours the provincial government announced that it would go to the country in one month, and coupled with that comes the announcement that \$15,000,000 are to be borrowed to lend to the farmers; \$7,000,000 are to be borrowed to lend to the P. G. E. to complete the road; that \$30,000 or \$40,000 are to be borrowed to build a bridge across the mouth of the Bulkley river in order to spend money and give work to some voters who need the money.

At the last minute after they discover that they have several millions of dollars debt they are not satisfied but announce that they intend to borrow \$23,000,000 more in order to gull the people and for nothing else. The money markets are all closed to the McBride government and there is no more chance for them to borrow the money than there is for an individual to borrow that sum. As a matter of fact the provincial government has no intention of providing any money for the farmers—at least for many years. Its just some more of Dick's wind.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1915

IN selecting Boyd C. Affleck as president of the Citizens' Association to succeed W. J. MacKenzie, the best possible choice was made. Mr. Affleck is most capable, he is keenly interested in the welfare of the town and district and has always taken an active part in all public movements. Success should crown his efforts. He is also supported by an active and capable lot of officers and executive committee. They have considerable work ahead of them and there never has been a time when the town could be brought favorably before the public as now. The retiring president has been most active in the past and he has accomplished a great deal of good. His efforts were appreciated and he well merited the vote of thanks that was tendered him.

HON. Price Ellison, minister of finance, has resigned his seat and portfolio. This is the man who stocked his own farm with the fancy stock which he helped buy for the provincial government farm. The government paid hundreds of dollars for each animal and the honorable gentleman bought them from the government for from \$25 to \$75 each. Of course this is not stealing—just getting something fancy for a small price. The government being hard up, the minister of finance no doubt considered he was conferring a favor on the public by contributing a few dollars from his salary to the public funds. Now that Price Ellison is out of the government, and the stock is off the farm, it is rumored that the portfolio of finance minister is to be given to the laughing-stock, Wm. Manson, M. P. P., for Skeena. With Wm. Manson as finance minister

there is no doubt but that a number of those stalwart commanders of his in Prince Rupert will stock their farms with fancy priced stock from Wm. Manson's new farm. However, Wm. Manson has to go before the people in less than a month. He may or may not be finance minister. But Willie has been a good boy. He pretty nearly got a job as minister of education once. His qualifications entitle him to hold any office so long as Bowser and McBride are at the head, and Willie has only to say, "Yes, Sir!"

IN the announcement of the election for April 10th, McBride and Bowser establish a new record in short campaigns. They have always been famous for short runs, but this attempt to steal another term of power to complete the devastation of the province beats anything hitherto attempted. One month to prepare voters' lists, hold conventions and conduct a campaign can be accomplished only by a machine which McBride and Bowser think they have perfected. Although a great deal can be said and written about the particularly crude method of thus trying to grab off an election, the time is too short; and the Liberal party is hard at work getting in shape to poll the largest number of votes that are available on the voters' list. The fact that hundreds, if not thousands, of reliable citizens of the province will be disfranchised by the present provincial kaiser and his centimeter gun, Bowser, there are many thousands still on the list who will cast their ballots to oust the present corrupt bunch of politicians. From every riding in the province the reports are decidedly favorable to the Liberal party and there is reason to believe that the people will declare themselves opposed to the graft and corruption that marks the past history of the provincial government. The Liberals in the new district of Omineca will hold a convention in a few days and a candidate will be chosen. That candidate has every chance of carrying the riding. The defeat of the Liberal candidate will be due only to the neglect of the honest citizens to cast their ballots for him on April 10. The people now have a chance to express their honest views.

THE government press bureau at Victoria has sent out editorials to its subsidized press supporting the all-red pamphlet dealing with "Free Surveyed Lands for the Settlers"—lands which do not exist—and a paper issued in Hazelton had the temerity to publish it. Any paper that is published in the heart of the district which has been falsely represented as the minister of

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lands falsely represented this district in his all-red pamphlet is unworthy of even a consideration from the reading public. That they have to publish what the boss in Victoria says and prepares for them is well known. Otherwise they would be cut off the patronage list, which would mean death to them. At the same time a paper should at least have nerve enough to buck such a wild-cat attempt to deceive the people.

IN one of his many defences of his connection with the Dominion Trust affair, Attorney-General Bowser announced that he would not resign his seat and that he would be a candidate at the election and meet all comers. In order to make his boast good he framed up the rush election knowing that an enormous number of citizens and ratepayers of the province were not on the list and would not be able to vote. He also was well aware that every one of the reliable civil servants and government employees and government spoils-grabbers were on the list. In this way he proposes to force his way into power for another term of four or five years.

Newport News, Va., March 10—The German auxiliary cruiser, Eitel Frederick, arrived in port for coal, supplies and repairs. She is painted white on one side and black on the other and has 326 French and Russian prisoners on board. She may have to interne as it is reported that she was chased into port by a British cruiser.

The Hazelton Hospital

The Hazelton Hospital issues tickets for any period at \$1 per month in advance. This rate includes office consultations and medicines, as well as all costs while in the hospital. Tickets are obtainable in Hazelton from the post office or drug store; or from the Drug Store, New Hazelton; from Dr. McLean, Smithers; T. J. Thorpe, Aldermere; Dr. Wallace, Telkwa, or by mail from the Medical Supt. at the Hospital.

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future. If the war were to end tomorrow there would still be need for every effort in production, for many years must elapse before the devastation that has been caused can be remedied and repaired. Unhappily the probabilities are that giant conflict will continue for many months yet, in which case the mind of man cannot fathom or foresee the damage that will have been done to all forms of industry. To agriculture in particular, the waste of life, by the wrecking of property and by spreading of desolation. It is repairing the dam-

age that others cause that the farmers are asked to aid. It is their mother cries to them.

Issue Second Edition

It is announced by the department of agriculture at Ottawa that the first edition of ten thousand copies of the Agricultural War Book is exhausted. Another and larger edition is being printed to provide copies to meet the applications that have for some time been accumulating.

R. L. RAMSEY

Of Department of Agriculture at Telkwa Gives Valuable Hints on Hatching and Care of Chickens

Where you want hatching eggs have one rooster for fifteen hens of the medium breeds, and one to twenty of the smaller breeds. Give the hens plenty of exercise and do not over-feed, particularly on meat feeds and wet mash, as this will unfavorably affect the hatchability of the eggs. If possible, give some milk as drink.

Select for setting well-shaped eggs of an even, average size, with a moderately thick shell. Don't keep eggs longer than two weeks, for not only may the germ be weakened, but stale eggs take longer to hatch than fresh ones. Don't set dirty eggs.

Deep eggs for hatching at an evenly low temperature of from 50 to 60 degrees Fahrenheit, and store them with the large end up that the air space may retain its proper position and that the germ may be properly centred. Set eggs to hatch out not earlier than late April or your pullets will moult in the fall and you will get no winter eggs. Light breeds should not be hatched before May but all chicks should be out by June 1st. Light breeds should commence laying at five months, medium breeds at six and heavy breeds at seven or eight.

Set hens in a half-darkened, quiet place where they will not be bothered by layers. Mark all eggs set, and don't overcrowd the hen with eggs or different eggs rolling out on different days or being only half warmed by the hen will result in a very indifferent hatch.

Always set the hen at night, and try out for a day in the new nest on nest eggs before finally setting. Set several hens at once and, if possible, keep a setter in reserve. Thus one hen may frequently look after two hatches of chicks and the second setter be broken up, and in case of trouble the spare setter may replace the troublesome one with eggs.

Make the nest on moist ground or place six inches of moist earth in bottom of box or nest. You will get larger chicks and generally a better hatch.

Thoroughly dust the hen with Persian insect powder before setting and before the hatch comes off. Keep a dust bath of road dust and wood ashes or sulphur or lime always available for the hen. Also keep food, preferably corn, and fresh water where the hen may get it, and allow her if

possible to get off when she feels like it. If a number of hens are set in the same room it may be necessary to make separate runs.

In hatching to get a definite number of pullets, figure on a 75 p.c. hatch and the fact that half of these will be cockerels, and again that one-third of these will die. This will give one pullet from four eggs.

Don't feed chicks for at least 36 hours after hatching or you will likely have digestive and intestinal troubles. Feed soft feed as hard boiled eggs, Johnny cake or bread crumbs for two or three days, five times daily. Give sour milk, buttermilk and fresh clean water to drink. Feed chick feed two or three times daily after this in addition to a couple of soft feeds. Chick feed contains sufficient grit for young chicks.

Don't allow the hen to weary the chickens by trailing them long distances. She is best placed in a slat-fronted coup, at least till the young chicks are strong enough to follow her around without becoming tired.

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His Honor Judge Young is in town this week at the Northern Hotel. He is holding court in the district.

O. B. Wallace writes from Chicago that he is touring eastern cities in the interests of New Hazelton mining.

Mrs. and the Misses McRae, who have been residents here for the past two years, left Thursday morning for Vancouver where they will reside in future.

Frank Dockrill, of Vancouver, Bowser's selection as Conservative candidate for Omineca district, passed through here Wednesday night on his way to the

Bulkley valley to line up his supporters.

Barney Halleron spent several days in town this week and on Thursday morning returned to the Rocher Deboile mine where he will remain for some months.

Chas. Biggart and Mrs. Biggart returned on Wednesday last after spending several pleasant months in the south. Their host of friends were glad to welcome them back.

R. L. Ramsey, of the department of agriculture, with head office at Telkwa, spent several days last week in this section and delivered addresses in the schools on agricultural subjects.

Rev. Dr. W. T. Herridge, of Ottawa, moderator of the Presbyterian general assembly, accompanied by Rev. Mr. Pilkey,

Fort George, passed through here last Saturday night after visiting in Prince Rupert where Rev. Dr. Herridge held a public meeting. They were met at the local depot by Rev. D. R. McLean.

R. S. Sargent announced last week that he would be a Conservative candidate if he could get the nomination. He will have the support from this end of the district if he continues in the running until convention. He is now feeling his way in the valley towns.

CITIZENS APPOINT STRONG OFFICERS

Boyd C. Affleck is the New President and a Strong Committee Was Elected to Assist Him

The New Hazelton Citizens' Association held a reorganization meeting in the Assembly hall on Tuesday night and there was a representative gathering. President W. J. MacKenzie occupied the chair and after opening the meeting declared that the first business was the election of officers for the ensuing year. He announced that as he had been president for the past two and a half years that he wished to retire now and desired that a new president be elected. C. H. Sawle, the secretary for the same length of time, made a similar announcement. The following officers were then chosen:—

President—B. C. Affleck.
Vice-President—G. O. Graham.
Secretary—E. B. Tatchell.
Treasurer—James Richmond.
Executive committee—F. C. McKinnon, A. M. Ruddy, Geo. Wall, Geo. Walker, G. Hodgins.
Geo. Wall was re-elected fire chief, and A. M. Ruddy and Roy McDonald were elected lieutenants. It was decided that a fire alarm be erected in the lower end of the town and A. M. Ruddy was authorized to secure same

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